

A Traveled Dog.
1,000,000 Pounds Flying.
How to Live 100 Years.
Taxation and Ambition.

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One million two hundred thousand pounds weight flying through the air, and actually lighter than the air displaced. That is the new super-Zeppelin lighter-than-air ship built by the British, described by the London Mail.

This boat, 570 feet long, carrying a cargo of thirty tons, will fly from England to America and back without stopping to take on fuel.

There is a REAL airship. It would fly six miles up, where no strong winds ever blow. A fleet of such ships could fly out of sight in the air, as a submarine comes hidden under water. This Zeppelin would indicate that the far-seeing British have plans for a dominating aerial navy, as well as the biggest navy on water. She was built for war, and would have carried bombs weighing five hundred and eighty pounds each, with plenty of guns.

With such fighting machines possible, it was time for the nations to substitute arbitration for war.

You read that "Fran Luise" Ebert, wife of the \$250,000 president of the German republic, has always done her own cooking, housework, and dressmaking. Needless to say, she is thin, while her husband is fat.

The most bitter anti-German will hardly grudge that lady the rest she will get for the first time. Some American Presidents' wives did their own housework, and their pictures look as though they did their dressmaking. Mrs. John A. Logan, nearly a President's wife, used to sit down last of all, roll down her sleeves, and distribute the dinner she had just cooked. Nobody knows how many votes that was worth to the general.

Socialists, ruling Germany, announce their intention to seize the greater part of big fortunes, "striking the rich in their most sensitive spot, the pocketbook," as a leader puts it. And inheritances are to be taken over by government, with the exception of a modest sum.

That sounds like a program to make the poor happier. It is really a program to make the able man less productive and useful.

In Central Africa the lion fighter wants many wives and fat ones. They let him have them, that he may continue killing lions.

In white civilization the able man wants surplus money and the pleasure of making his children worthless by leaving it to them. Let him have his way, that he may continue using his brain for the general good.

If the German republic kills off the ambition of Germany's able, selfish men, the workers will suffer more than the selfish man with the ambition taken out of him.

This is the latest prohibition news: C. H. Taylor, arrested for taking whiskey into bone dry Washington, confesses that he is whiskey messenger for fifteen members of Congress and offers to furnish the names.

The Anti-Saloon League is opening headquarters in Europe, to save that part of the world.

It may be a little difficult in England, at first. Dock workers there refuse to load liquor on outgoing ships. They say the precious fluid should be kept at home for the down-trodden British laboring man. There is Bolshevism for you.

"Is travel a good thing for youth?" You have heard those questions. A Frenchman said of travel: "It forms youth when it does not deform it." Same of a life at a university. Many men that would have been useful have been destroyed by college. There they lost confidence in themselves, adopted false standards of living, and amounted to nothing.

From his travels a man brings information only which he starts with information. The Eskimos brought from the north knew no more about the world on their return than they knew before.

Major Albert Smith has just completed a flight from San Diego to New York and return. The return trip across the continent consumed forty hours of flying time. A police dog made the round trip through the air. How much more does the dog know about America than he knew before he started? Nothing, and it is the same with many bipeds that make "the grand tour." Read, think, and take information with you, or don't waste money on travel.

A widow lady in New Jersey, celebrating her hundredth birthday, says living a hundred years is simple. Have a clear conscience, work a little in the garden in nice weather, go to bed at six thirty, and get up at half past eight. Eat carefully, do not worry, have a comfortable house, and stick to it. Have a moderate income and never spend beyond it.

A good, simple recipe, and how well thousands of other widows would like to take the advice. The trouble is to carry out the program.

"Have you any idea what that pig would fetch in London?" asked the English gentleman trying to arouse ambition in a poor Irish farmer.

"I have," replied the Irishman, "and have you any idea how much that puddle of water would be worth in hell?"

WEATHER:
Partly cloudy tonight and tomorrow; probably rain or snow tomorrow. Temperature at 5 a. m., 29 degrees; normal temperature for Feb. 17 for last 50 years, 55 degrees.

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BOSTON PLANS RECORD BREAKING RECEPTION FOR THE PRESIDENT

200 CAPITAL TROOPS LAND AT HOBOKEN; GO TO CAMPS

HOBOKEN, N. J., Feb. 17.—Between 200 and 250 men from Washington, D. C., were among the troops who debarked today from the transport Louisville after a rough, stormy trip from France.

Most of the Washington men were in units of the 351st field artillery. These units included Batteries A, B, C, and D, field, staff and supply companies and medical detachment. The men entrained for Camp Mills where they will remain for several days before being sent to Camp Meade, Md., to be discharged.

Other Washingtonians. The personnel of the 167th field artillery units, brigade headquarters and detachment Company G. The brigade headquarters men were sent to Camp Mills and the detachment company to Camp Upton. These men also will later be sent to Camp Meade for discharge.

These six Washington men were among the casualties who debarked: Capt. Howard F. Kane, son of Mr. Cora L. Kane, 1624 I street northwest; Band Sgt. Berry A. Clayton, son of Mrs. Susie L. Clayton, of 3417 Q street northwest; Band Corp. Peter Phillips, son of Mrs. Emily Phillips, of 808 Third street southwest; Private John B. Davis, son of Thomas Dyer, of 2447 Georgia avenue northwest; Private Martin E. Schibben, son of Mrs. Kate Schibben, 317 Dock street, and Mechanic Edward E. Landers, son of Mrs. Louise Landers, of Pearson street, Washington, D. C.

Scorpion Crew Arrives. Three army officers and thirty-eight members of the crew of the U. S. S. Scorpion, interned by the Germans at Constantinople, arrived in New York today on the transport Dante Alighieri. There were also on the transport 1,850 men of the Fifty-first Regiment, Coast Artillery Corps.

The Sixtola arrived this morning with forty-seven casualties for Camp Merritt.

TENANTS OPPOSE W. B. & A. PLANS

The terminal project of the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis on New York avenue, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets is meeting opposition from occupants of dwellings which will be torn down to make way for the terminal.

Dr. Joseph N. Gardner, 1110 New York avenue, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, today told of his intention of taking the fight against the terminal to the courts. Dr. Gardner is supported in his fight by fifteen other families who live in the houses on the proposed site of the W. B. & A. terminal.

The action by the tenants was precipitated when they were told that their homes had been purchased by the W. B. & A. and that they would shortly be turned out.

"The W. B. & A. plans to unceremoniously turn the families into the streets," said Dr. Gardner today.

There will be no place for the families to go in these days of shortage of housing facilities. It would be nothing short of brutality for the house wreckers to turn women and children into the streets when ordered by the W. B. & A. officials to demolish the homes.

Appeal to Government.

In view of the injustice of the action, the tenants are appealing to the establishment of the terminal on New York avenue will be taken to the courts and an appeal voiced to the Government.

"The Salsbury act provides that no tenant shall be dispossessed of his home during the war. That is exactly what the W. B. & A. plans to do. One of the purposes of the act is to protect the tenant from the actions of the W. B. & A. terminal plans will be based on the landlord-tenant issue."

Dr. Gardner also opposes the location of the terminal on New York avenue because of traffic conditions.

"Traffic is so heavy at this point, that serious congestion and accidents will result if the big W. B. & A. cars are allowed to clutter up the street," he said.

NEW U. S. ENVOY TO FRANCE



HUGH C. WALLACE, of Tacoma, Wash., who has been named by President Wilson for important post.

EX-CANADIAN PREMIER IS DEAD

OTTAWA, Ontario, Feb. 17.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, former premier of the cabinet, died at 2:30 p. m.

On Saturday Sir Wilfrid suffered a fainting spell. On Sunday he had another, but was reluctant to admit the seriousness of his condition. A second stroke soon after midnight was more serious and hope of his recovery was abandoned.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier was the last of Canada's "elder" statesmen who found the Dominion a colony and left it a nation. He had for many years been the recognized head of the Liberal party, which, prior to its defeat in 1911, had held uninterrupted sway in Canada for fifteen years. With the defeat of that party at the polls came the rejection of the proposed treaty of reciprocity between the United States and Canada, of which Sir Wilfrid was an earnest advocate, and in belief of which he once visited Washington.

Sir Wilfrid led the fight against conscription in Canada in 1917 and met defeat. He wanted to retire at that time, but so great was his popularity among the people, despite the way the election went, that they would not listen to his proposal and he remained the leader of his party.

300 STUDENTS AT HOWARD FLEE FIRE

More than 300 students, young men and women, were forced to flee from recitation halls in the administrative building at Howard University when fire broke out shortly before 2 o'clock this afternoon.

It was stated that all of the students escaped in safety.

The flames first were seen in the tower of the administrative building, which is a large, four-story structure and one of the first erected at Howard University. The fire spread to the third and fourth floors, and much damage was done by smoke and water.

Firemen said they had control of the flames within half an hour after reaching the scene. The fire threatened to spread to the home of the president of the university, but this building was not damaged.

RAIL-WATER FREIGHT RATES

Restoration of rail-water freight rates to a pre-war basis was authorized by the railroad administration today. A revision of the war-time policy, which means a slight reduction in inland water rates was announced. The pre-war differentials will be re-established.

FRANCE WILL OBEY ENVOYS' DECISION ON LEAGUE LAWS

PARIS, Feb. 17.—France will abide by the decision of the peace conference regarding the league of nations, whether that decision is for or against the league, it was learned on high authority today.

Rumors that the French insist on inserting certain clauses in the league constitution, before they accept it, are groundless. The French already has appeared the covenant as it was read by President Wilson before the general peace Congress Friday.

France's Point. The point made by Senator Bourgeois is that France is the most monarchical nation in the world, and that the Germans are figuratively still at the very door of the French capital. As a result of this, France with a small population, is forced to maintain a larger army than her less threatened associates. Therefore, he contends the league ought to make some provision to even up this economic strain.

Bourgeois does not favor an international army stationed permanently in France, but he does want proportional naval forces, scattered about the world among the member nations, and ready for instant call from the league. He also believes that machinery for instant military action should be formed as part of the league, instead of leaving a program to be drawn up after any trouble starts.

France will bring up these ideas when the league constitution is debated by the conference. But if she is unable to win approval for them she will adhere firmly to the league organization as advocated by her associates.

President Concerned. Before his departure for America President Wilson expressed concern over the conference's inability to take any practical measures to restore Russia. He enjoined the American delegation to the peace conference to co-operate cordially in any workable scheme in that direction.

Premier Lloyd George of Great Britain is also extremely anxious to solve the problem in view of the unsettled labor conditions in England and the leanings toward Bolshevism of certain labor leaders.

VOTING MACHINES LEGAL. Use of voting machines in New York elections is legal, the House elections committee decided in a report which was adopted by the House without debate today. Jacob Gerling claimed that the election of Thomas B. Dunn from the Thirty-eighth New York district was void on the ground that the use of the machines violated the State constitutional provisions for a secret ballot.

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BUILDERS AND WORKERS IN SESSION TO AVOID STRIKE

A bill heavily penalizing redaction and Bolshevism was introduced today by Senator Jones of Washington. The measure imposes long sentences at hard labor on persons who write, print, distribute, or speak words calculated to destroy or overthrow the present form of government, or who aid in distribution of such matter.

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Labor leaders and representatives of building trades employers were in conference here today attempting to reach an agreement which will prevent the calling out of building trades workers all over the country.

Already, according to labor officials, practically all contracts of the building trades employees' association are tied up in New York and a number of other cities. Threats to call a sympathetic strike of thirty building trades throughout the nation were made by labor officials unless the employers agree to a dollar a day increase in wages for the carpenters. They now receive \$5.50.

Those Affected. Workers affected were the carpenters, bricklayers, masons, lathers, metal workers, iron workers, tile roofers, elevator constructors, and stone cutters.

Evidence of strikers and employers in the New York harbor dispute will be heard here today before V. E. Macy, special umpire for the War Labor Board. Macy will hear the contentions of the two sides in executive session with members of the War Labor Board.

He was appointed umpire in the New York harbor dispute.

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WILL USE LIGNITE TO REPLACE COAL

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Yankees in Russia Eager to Return, Says D. C. Captain

Letter From Costello, Former Georgetown Athlete, Tells of Conditions There.

President Wilson is sending two companies of engineer troops into Russia to keep open lines of communication between the sea and the American troops in the Archangel district, according to a communication read to the House Military Committee today.

England is taking similar action.

"We are all anxious for word from the War Department to move out of God-forsaken Russia."

This is the plea that reached the National Capital today in the first letter that a Washington man has written from Archangel, describing the plight of American troops combating the Bolsheviks in that region.

Capt. Harry Costello, former Georgetown University football star, who was cited by the British for bravery under fire and promoted, now a captain at Archangel in charge of a company of Michigan machine gun troops, in a letter to friends here gives a vivid picture of the conditions that his men are facing daily to keep in check the Bolshevik troops.

"Russia is bleeding, torn, and ravaged by the Bolsheviks," he writes. "The people are a helpless lot—"

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FLYING TO OHIO TO ATTEND BANQUET

Maj. Gen. William L. Kenly, head of the War Department air service, left Bolling Field, Annapolis, at 10:45 o'clock this morning in an attempted non-stop flight to Columbus, Ohio, where he expects to attend a banquet in honor of Capt. Eddie Rickenbacker, America's leading ace.

General Kenly is making the flight in a Curtiss plane piloted by Major Ocker, of the army air service. The plane should be able to cover the distance between this city, and Columbus in five hours of non-stop flying.

Unless steady head winds should be encountered. Fuel and oil for a flight of a little over five hours is being carried.

The flyers, anticipating cold weather, were swathed in layers upon layers of warm clothing before climbing into the plane.

HUGE TRANS-OCEAN PLANE IN TRIAL TRIP

BAYONNE, N. J., Feb. 17.—Capt. Hugo Stundstedt had his big airplane out on the waters of Newark bay today, tuning up the engines in preparation for his attempt to fly across the Atlantic ocean. Several trial flights are on his schedule before he starts for Newfoundland on the first leg of his trans-Atlantic attempt.

A number of minor mechanical changes have been made by Stundstedt. The huge machine has been inspected by scores of army and navy flyers. Fred Daute and William Haritz, of the Wittenman-Lewis Airplane Company, will probably make a trial flight with him.

The Navy Department will not consider loaning Capt. B. B. Lipner the N.C.-1, or any other seaplane for the purpose of attempting a trans-Atlantic flight, Secretary Daniels, announced today.

Lipner, who formerly was superintendent of the air mail service of the Postoffice Department, recently announced that he had requested the use of the giant plane and expressed the belief that he could make the flight.

EXECUTIVE IS EXPECTED TO REACH PORT NEXT MONDAY

BOSTON, Feb. 17.—The transport George Washington, bringing President Wilson from France, probably will reach Boston next Monday, in the opinion of naval officials here, who pointed out that the big liner's speed will be gauged by that of the naval vessels in the convoy.

Tentative plans for the President's reception will be formulated today in a conference between Mayor Andrew J. Peters and Governor Coolidge, when it was expected committees will be appointed to make all preparations for a record-breaking reception to the President.

To Stay Only Twelve Hours.

The latest information is that the President will leave for Washington within 12 hours after his arrival, a fact which is being considered in plans for his reception.

The pier at which the Presidential ship docks will be heavily guarded by police, and it was stated today that, although radicals of the national woman's party may try to stage a demonstration, steps will be taken to see that the executive will be taken to the college where his son-in-law, Francis B. Sayre, is a professor.

PRESIDENT WILL HAVE BUSY TIME DURING HIS FLYING TRIP TO CITY

President Wilson's stay in Washington probably will be the busiest in his busy career, and Administration leaders are wondering how it is going to be humanly possible for him to accomplish all that is laid out for him to do.

First, of course, will be the task of setting Congress and the public right on the great matter of the League of Nations. He is expected to arrive here on Wednesday, the 26th, and will talk the whole covenant over that night at dinner with the members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and the House Foreign Affairs Committee.

To Sign Revenue Bill.

The great revenue bill is waiting for his signature, and he is expected to give some time to that, as well as the other measures of smaller importance, and he has made it a custom to read every bill before appending his signature.

Then there are vacancies to be filled—chief of which is that of Attorney General. Vance McCormick, Gregory, who has resigned, to take effect March 4. A great question has arisen over the appointment. New England wants it. This section, for the first time since the civil war, is not represented in the Cabinet. But New England generally objects to the choice of McCormick. It is so that in the event there is too serious an argument it is possible it may go to Senator Lewis of Illinois, who seems to be the second choice of most of the New England leaders if their "favorite sons" do not land it.

Then there must be a new Democratic chairman designated to succeed Vance McCormick. It is declared to be the choice of the committee, but friends of James Guffey, of Pennsylvania, declare he has the Presidential O. K.

PRESIDENT TO CLEAR AWAY ALL DOUBTS ON LEAGUE OF NATIONS

ABOARD THE U. S. S. GEORGE WASHINGTON, Feb. 16 (Delayed).

President Wilson displayed the deepest interest today in American comment on the League of Nations, received by wireless. He devoted considerable time to studying the varying degrees of approbation and disapproval, especially that emanating from Washington.

The American people will be made acquainted by the President with all matters in connection with the league, it can be stated on the highest authority. He is prepared to clear up all doubt regarding application of the league's principles to the Monroe doctrine.